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PREFACE

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In the interest of uniformity, the titles and letter designators for the facilities observed at these installations are identical with those appearing in the project requirement. When a specific facility is not observed both its title and letter designator are omitted in the report.

Titles and letter designators for the various facilities are as follows: (A) railroad service, (B) road service, (C) landing strips, (D) administrative and troop housing areas, (E) storage areas, (F) ammunition storage areas, (G) POL storage areas, (H) other buildings and facilities, (J) equipment storage/maintenance areas, (K) athletic fields, (L) small arms firing ranges, (M) driver training areas, (N) tank/assault gun firing ranges, (P) flat trajectory firing ranges, (Q) artillery emplacements (batteries), (R) infantry or combined arms field training areas or courses, (S) special training facilities, (T) unidentified facilities or tracking activity.

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TRAINING AREA

(52-32N 052-49E)

TOTSKOYE, ORENBURGSKAYA OBLAST, USSR

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FIGURE 1. LOCATION OF TRAINING AREA.

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FIGURE 2. TRAINING AREA, TOTSKOYE, USSR

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SUMMARY

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This training area is located adjacent to Totskoye Army Barracks Northwest (BE No [REDACTED] in Totskoye, USSR, and extends approximately 14 kilometers (km) north from that installation (Figure 1).

This extensive training area covers approximately 100 square miles and consists of a general storage and support area, 3 tent cantonments, 2 ammunition storage facilities, a tank firing range, 3 driver-training courses,

a flat-trajectory and small-arms range, 2 tracts for special training, and numerous artillery emplacements. These facilities are probably used by all military units in the vicinity (Figure 2).

[REDACTED] KEYHOLE missions from [REDACTED] covered the area. Comparison revealed no significant change. The area was very active at all times with little seasonal variation.

DESCRIPTION OF INSTALLATION

Railroad Service

The training area is situated 3 km north of the Kuybyshev-Orenburg railroad. There are rail-loading facilities halfway between Totskoye and Kirsanovka.

Road Service

A hard-surface road runs into the area, and there is a well-defined road net and numerous trails within the maneuver area.

Aircraft Landing Strip

Totskoye Airfield (BE No [REDACTED] a sod strip 5 km south, does not appear to be used extensively.

Administration and Troop Housing Area

Area D1 contains the Totskoye Army Barracks Northwest.

Area D2 contains 3 single-story barracks and probably houses support troops.

Areas D3, D4, and D5 are tent cantonment areas.

General Storage Area

Area E contains 6 general storage buildings.

Ammunition Storage Areas

Area F1 contains eight 120- by 35-foot double-fenced ammunition storage buildings.

Area F2 contains five 75- by 25-foot double-fenced ammunition storage buildings.

POL Storage Area

The POL storage area is located in the Totskoye Army Barracks Northwest.

Driver-Training Areas

Area M1 is a probable wheeled and tracked vehicle driver-training course. The loop road has 4 man-made hills and 1 gap crossing facility. The area has a support building used for year-round training.

Area M2 is a probable wheeled-vehicle driver-training course with a hill and gap obstacle. No winter trackage was observed.

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Area M3 is a crew training area with a tank gun-crew training section and 2 turret trainers.

Tank/Assault-Gun Firing Range

Area N is a 4,200-foot tank/assault-gun firing range with seven 2,500-foot lanes, two 2,100-foot lanes, 5 moving targets, and 3 range support buildings.

Flat-Trajectory Firing Range

Area P is a 2,800-foot flat-trajectory firing range with 6 lines of fixed targets, 6 probably moving targets, 10 range towers, and 3 support buildings.

Artillery Emplacements (Batteries)

Areas Q1 and Q2 contain numerous field artillery emplacements.

Areas Q3 and Q4 are field artillery impact areas.

Infantry or Combined Army Field Training Area or Courses

Areas R1 and R2 contain bivouac areas.

Special Training Facilities

Area S1 appears to be the ruins of a village, possibly used for street fighting or defense training.

Area S2 contains trackage indicating that this is a river-crossing training site. There are possible assembly areas on both sides of the river.

Area S3 has 4 large and 4 small aircraft silhouettes on the ground indicating that this is a possible bombing or strafing range.

Unidentified Facilities or Tracking Activity

Area T1 has six 2,500-foot-long parallel lanes spaced approximately 200 feet apart.

Areas T2, T3, and T4 have very large revetments (100 by 50 feet). They are probably used for equipment.

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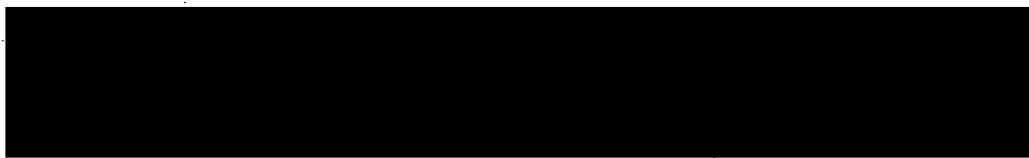
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